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TO: Health Deputies

FROM: John F. Schunhoff, Ph.D. 
Interim Director

SUBJECT: **PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP (PPP) PROGRAM**

This is to advise you of several administrative actions implemented by the Department of Health Services (Department) using delegated authority since the current PPP agreements were approved by the Board on June 17, 2008.

The Department revised site specific allocations with those PPP Program providers who had requested revisions during contract negotiations. These site specific allocation revisions do not change the County maximum obligation of the contract and remain consistent with the allocation methodology approved by the Board on April 22, 2008. (see Attachment A).

The Department also approved a request from AltaMed Health Services Corporation (AltaMed) to transfer \$143,538 from SPA 7 to SPA 4. This transfer to an over equity SPA was based specifically on a commitment by AltaMed to increase capacity at their Buena Care site for patients from SPA 7.

In addition, Attachment A also reflects revisions to correct specific allocations of \$1,411,748 in South Los Angeles Preservation Funds (SB 474) as approved by the Board on June 17, 2008. All contractors were advised of their correct allocations for FY 2008-09 and the agreements were corrected under delegated authority.

Since the Board's approval of the new PPP Program agreements, Avalon Medical Development Corporation dba Catalina Island Medical Group (SPA 4 - \$55,326), and Thanh N. Tran, a Professional Corp. dba California Liberty Medical Group (SPA 7 - \$30,080) have elected not to participate in the PPP Program.

On June 17, 2008, the Board instructed the Department to continue discussion with Community Clinic Association of Los Angeles County (CCALAC) and PPP Providers. Since the execution of the new PPP Program agreements, the Department has reinstituted its monthly PPP Work Group meetings with the leadership of the CCALAC. This forum is designed to discuss policy, funding, programmatic, and contractual issues. In addition, the Department continues to hold its quarterly All Partners meeting that provides a general forum for all PPP Partners to

participate in discussions surrounding programmatic issues, policy and procedure, billing and/or general program questions.

The Department is also working with a subgroup of the PPP Work Group to refine existing contract language, and in conjunction with County Counsel, has drafted new funding and allocation language that will address SPA boundaries, site specific allocations, service categories, and various methodologies to transfer of funds. The Department will be sharing this new language with the PPP Work Group for their input and comments. Once consensus is achieved, the Department intends to seek Board approval to amend the agreements with the new language.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Gretchen McGinley at (323) 869-7160.

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Attachment

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